

**Loyal Nanaimo Bathtub society  
General Meeting  
Wednesday, June 6, 2018**

**ATTENDING:** Bill McGuire, Rod Grounds, Margaret Johnson, Richard Mayer, John Ruttan, Greg Peacock, Nathen Barlow, Kurt Henderson, Bob Smits,

**Meeting called to order at 6:02pm and chaired by Greg Peacock**

**Visitors:** Kyle Hall, Shawn Breckenridge

**Adoption of August minutes:**

Bob Smits moved, second Margret Johnson

**Business arising from August meeting:**

GP-Greg, Kurt, Margret, Wendy and Rick attended the Oak Bay Tea Party race on Sunday and 6 tubbers entered the race. Weather wasn't great but there was good attendance and the Oak Bay team did a great job. Greg gave plaques to the Russ and Geoff McCallum to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> race in Oak Bay and thanked them very much for all they do. James from Tsawwassen attend the Oak Bay race and was excited with the event and looked forward to working with us and will change the dates for next year's race so it does not conflict with any other races.

GP/RM- Frank Ney's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration went very well at both the park and the Nanaimo Yacht Club. The Ney family was very thankful and was happy to see the spirit of "Bath tubing" living on! Thank you Kurt for cleaning up the trophies as they were all on display and they looked great. Thank you to Margaret for all the work she has done on the scrap books as we had them out at the yacht club and it was a huge hit with all that attended.

**New Correspondence:**

GP-Greg has been contacted and interviewed by Pacific Yachting, Pacific Mariner, Washington Post and Rolling Stone magazine and all of them are planning on doing a story about "The Great International Bathtub Race" Pacific Yachting is considering to use our race as their cover for July.

RM-reported that he received an email from Jocelyne Matwe with Shaw and that due to cut back in staffing Shaw would be unable to do a whole show on the big race. She said that she and Matt Carter will be there to do interviews and film some segments that will be aired on Matt's show called "Matt about Town" Kurt suggested we contact other media and see if they have interest in doing a show, Greg will reach out to CTV and Chek.

**New Business/Committee Reports:**

**Greg Peacock (Commodore):**

- Coins design has been approved and have been ordered. Ron Dash has given us the 1<sup>st</sup> proof of the poster (shown to attendees) and Greg will contact him with a couple change requests but overall it is very well done.
- Some of the website issues are fixed but more needs to be done, Greg will be working with Ben to fix.
- The zodiac donated by the Port of Nanaimo will be going to Fry Street for cleanup and anyone interest in helping please contact Greg or Rick. Once the zodiac is ready we will make a spot for it at the city yard.
- Insurance policies of the LNBS are all up-to-date and Mike, owner of our insurance provider, will be discounting our policy by \$500 and will issuing a cheque for \$500 towards sponsorship.
- Take 5 is giving the Marine Festival a \$8000 promotional package for the cost of only \$275
- Greg has not heard back from the organizer of the Sprout Lake races, he will reach out to them again.
- Greg will attend the Kits promo event on Thursday June 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Richard Mayer (Vice Commodore):**

- All vendor invoice have been issued and we have received about 50% of the payments. Rick will process the visa payments though Nanaimo Mack and issue a cheque to LNBS.
- The Shriners Club will be exclusive sellers of the pancake breakfast and burgers & hotdogs for the bathtub weekend
- Departure Bay permit has not been received yet but was given a verbal approval by city. Working with Jerry Hong to put on the beer garden.
- Gaming Grant approved and funds received. Need to complete long form next year
- Jerry Hong will be putting on the concert on Friday night on bathtub weekend, head liner is Gord Bamford. LNBS will provide stage and sound and Jerry will be looking after security, ticket sales, fencing and entertainment. Profits to be shared.
- Parade application has been submitted, waiting to hear back from city if there are any issues or concerns
- CFMTR and the Army Reserve are all on board for the big race. Special access in and out of the park will be provided to the army display as they will be removing their display every night.
- We may need to source a new scale for the tech-ing as united rental's scale is broken. Anybody with an idea where to get on please contact either Nathen, Kurt, Greg or Rick.
- Meeting is planned for June 11<sup>th</sup> with the city do finalize the plans and permits for July 1<sup>st</sup> Departure Bay race and July 17<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Great race event.

**Rod Grounds (Vice Commodore):**

- Is planning on a safety meeting on June 19 and July 10 and it is to be held at the Departure Bay radio club building
- Application and permits and being put in place for both Departure Bay and for the big race.

**Bob Smits (Director):**

- This will be Bob's last year as head of the communication as he has other commitments that he needs to deal with. He is actively pursuing a successor to take over. Greg thanked him very much for his years of support, he has done a fantastic job.
- Bob will lock-in 1 channel in the hand held radios for this year.
- Bob to contact Morgan Francis to ensure all things are in place.

**John Ruttan (Treasurer):**

- Costco membership dues of \$120 need to be reimbursed to Bill
- Cheques for the entry fee of the pride parade needs to be signed and sent (Greg, signed and will deliver)
- John has been in contact with the city regarding street closures for the fire works
- Budget has increased the rent on the storage locker, John will call Greg Wilmon to see if they are willing to waive the up-charge for the LNBS
- More documents need to be signed by Greg and Rick at the Credit Union, Greg and Rick will get down there to sign.

**Margret Johnson (Director):**

- Looks like all the flags have been returned but they need to be cleaned
- Coins are ordered
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**Kurt Henderson (Director):**

- Attended Oak Bay and had a meeting with the tubbers for go over the rules and regulations. A few were unaware of some of the rules so they were asked to please go to the website and review the rules and regulations. All tubbers were given a pass for this race.
- The scale that United Rentals usually supplies is broken and the one the Robinson rentals has is very large and not as accurate in the read out. Anyone with any information to access a new scale, please call Kurt.
- Kurt had his motor stolen as well as Brad had two motors stolen and we are happy to report that Brad's motors have been returned but unfortunately Kurt's has not. Anyone with information please contact Kurt and he will gladly pay a reward for the return of his engine.

**Nathen Barlow Director):**

- Rules are mostly finalized, a few more tweaks may be required and he will work with Kurt to do this.

**Terry Fagan (Director):**

- Unable to attend

**Bill McGuire (Past Commodore):**

- Bill will speak to gas-n-go in regards to being able to fuel the big tub down a Brechin
- Had an inquiry as to why tubbers are not allowed to race till 14 years old when 12 year olds can obtain a boaters card. LNBS rule was established many years ago (before boaters card) to ensure the safety of the tubbers in the big race. It is felt that a 14 year old is stronger and more mature than a 12 year old to handle the conditions.
- Good discussions around the age limit and it was suggested that we look at a graduated type system for bathtub racers.

**Additional Input/Comments:**

- **Motion** – A change of rule be implemented for 2019 that “Ages 12-14 will be allowed race circuit races only”.
- Further discussions need to take place in regards to the age limit rule and anyone who wishes to give input are asked to come forward and discuss at our next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm Kurt Henderson, moved, Rod Grounds seconded.

**Next General Meeting: Wednesday, July 4th, 2018 at 6:00pm at LNBS Office**